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Children's Museum Announces a New Summer Exhibit Coming This Week

CML's Newest Exhibit, The Big Adventure, inspires active and imaginative play.

Charleston, SC (May 20, 2014)— The Children's Museum of the Lowcountry (CML) is proud to announce *The Big Adventure*, a brand new summer exhibit at the Museum sponsored by the Jack and Anne Glenn Foundation. The exhibit will open to the public on Friday, May 23, starting at 9:00 a.m.

In this exhibit, which encourages imagination and exploration as children use tools, make choices, set goals and solve problems, children will play in a physically and mentally challenging three-dimensional game board. Each adventure encourages children's natural desires to explore and investigate, as well as challenge their physical abilities in fun activities like a climbing wall, crawling tunnels and a balance beam.

In *The Big Adventure*, visitors will choose their adventures and, using their own imagination, creativity and physical ability along with found materials, work their way through each of the fun, hands-on challenges:

- **Mt. Adventure** - Traverse the face of the "mountainside" with the aid of handholds and footholds.
- **Out on a Ledge** - Keep your balance as you cross between buildings on beams that appear to be three stories in the air.
- **River Crossing: Bridge Out!** -Cross the river without getting "wet" by building your own bridge using wooden planks, lily pads and cargo boxes.
- **Tunnels of Fun** -Navigate the tunnels following a trail of textures and symbols, such as dinosaur tracks and shoeprints, leading you to a "crow's nest" where you can look out over *The Big Adventure*.
- **Virtual Flyer** - During this virtual air adventure, use your body to tilt the plane, navigating around obstacles such as flocks of birds, balloons and kites.

"*The Big Adventure* encourages children to challenge themselves, either physically on Mt. Adventure or logically in River Crossing: Bridge Out! Perhaps this exhibit will inspire the next Sir Edmund Hillary," says Starr Jordan, CML Director of Education.

The exhibit would not have been possible without our generous sponsor, the Jack and Anne Glenn Foundation. CML's Executive Director, Denis Chirles, says, "We are thrilled to announce this new exhibit at CML and cannot thank the Jack and Anne Glenn Foundation enough for their generous support. Because of our focus on the power of play, we believe this exhibit joins perfectly with our mission to spark imagination and stimulate curiosity."

The Big Adventure will be installed through September and is free for CML Members and CML ticket-holders.

The Children's Museum of the Lowcountry is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization with a mission to engage young children's potential by inviting families of all backgrounds to explore environments and experiences that spark imagination and stimulate curiosity through the power of play. Open Tuesday and Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$10 per person, \$8 for SC Residents and free for children less than 12 months of age. For more information please visit our website, www.exploreCML.org.

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